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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1877.

PPICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. Gondon & Gorch, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & NAVAL Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street. NEW YORK :-- ANDREW WIND, 183, Nas-

sau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- Gordon & Goton, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-CHINA: -Swatow, QUELOH & CAMPBELL,

Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, Henge & Co. Shanghai. LARR, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & Walsh. | Manila, C. Heinsker & Co. Magao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

#### auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAND AND PROPERTY.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1877, at Noon, on the Premises (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale),-

A Portion of that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 174, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 170, and measuring thereon forty-five feet, on the South side on the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 174 and measuring thereon forty-five feet, on the East side thereof on Peel Street, and measuring thereon twenty-nine feet, and on the West side thereof on Staveley Street and measuring thereon twenty nine feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 1317 square feet and is known as No. 3 Peel Street, together with the three-storied TENEMENT OF DWELLING House erected

thereon. Annual Crown Rent, \$15.56. TERMS OF SALE,-One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion 12.—Two Miles Flat Race. of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of 13.—Sack Race.

which to be paid by the purchaser. The Property to be at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. For further Particulars, apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers.Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mc10

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Rev. R. H. Kidd to Bell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 12th day of March, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., (instead of the time previously advertised), at his Residence.

Albany Road,-The whole of his Household FUR NITURE, &c., comprising:—Drawing, Dining and Bedroom Suites, Sofas, Chairs, Easy Chairs, Mirrors, Tables, Pictures, Sideboard, Whatnots, Glass and Plated Ware, Crockery Ware, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables and Glass, Washstands, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Saturday, the 10th March.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mc12

## intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Halfyear ending on 30th December last. at the rate of ONE Pound STERLING (£1) per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for War-

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON. Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

TOTICE.

ARTIES having left some Luggage are requested to take delivery of same as soon as convenient, but not later than the Blot March heat, After This Date they will be Sold by Auction; the Amount realised will be placed to the credit of their account with the Hotel.

V, FAVRE, Proprietor, Hotel de l'Univers. Hongkong, March 5, 1877.

Intimations.

MILITARY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

MITH the kind Permission and under the Patronage of H. E. the Hon. Sir F. COLBORNE, K.C.B., and H. E. Vice-Admiral RYDER,

The above Sports will be held ON THE CRICKET GROUND, TO.MORROW, the 10th March, 1877.

COMMITTEE: Commodore G. W. WATSON, President. Lt. Col. C. A. S. DIOKINS, Vice-President. 28th Regt.

> MEMBERS : Commander H. SALMOND, R.N. Lieut. W. S. P. GRAVES, R.N. J. E. C. Godrich, R.N. F. O. PIKE, B.N.

W. HYNES, Esq. Lieut, Col. HALL, R.A. Major Burton, B.E. Capt. DUGAT, 28th Regt. Dep. Com. BAKER, Commet. Dept. Asst. " Kernaghan.

JUDGES: Capt. Colomb, R.N. Lt. Col. Dickins, 28th Regt. ,, ,, HALL, B.A.

Capt. DUCAT, 28th Regt.

STARTERS !

Commander SALMOND, R.N. PROGRAMME :- 2nd DAY.

1.-Throwing the Hammer. 2.-100 Yards Flat Race. 3. \_200 Yards Flat Race. -Heavy Marching Order. Open to Soldiers and

4.—Throwing the Cricket Ball. 5. - Final Tie of Tug of War. 6.-440 Yards Flat Race. 7. - Wheel Barrow Race.

8.—One Mile Flat Race.—Open. 9.-Tug of War.-Presented by the Royal Naval Dockyard. To be pulled by a Single Team from the Army, Navy and Dockyard Employées.

10.-120 Yards Hurdle Race. 11. -30) Yards Flat Race. - Open to Sailors Tender is reserved. and Marines of Foreign Men-of-War.

14.-Final Tie of Tug of War.-For R. N. Dockyard Prize.

15. -Consolation Race. -For Beaten Runners.-300 Yards Flat Race. Spectators are particularly requested not to pass under the ropes; a Grand Stand

is erected for their accommodation. The First Race to be started at 1.30 o'Clock punctually.

R. S. F. WALKER, 28TH REGT., Hon. Secretary.

MURRAY BARRACKS. Hongkong, March 9, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this Company has a Wyndham and Wellington Streets, at the This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, OLD PHOTOGRAPHIC Co., under the above Style. BROAD STREET, LONDON. By Order of the Proprietors,

WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary. 137. Leadenhall Street,

LONDON. 1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. 20, Old Broad Street. LONDON. 1st January, 1877. ESTABLISHED 1836. CAPITAL, .....£1,000,000 STERLING. RESERVE FUND,....£ 340,000

TITITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSUR-ANCE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LOND N & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed Mr A. Molven as its AGENT in Hong-

By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT J. LODGE. Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class

. A. MolVER. Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

THE MEDICAL HALL, 37, Quest's Road, Hongkong.

established 1883. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor. Hongkong, April 28, 1876. NOTICE.

ATEITHER Captain Forses nor the AGENTS of OWNERS of the Ame rican Barque "GARIBALDI," will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Crew.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, February 28, 1877,

Intimations.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

GUILLET Co.'s ROUYER CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One \*, Two \*\*, Three \*\*\*, and Four \*\*\*\*, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

POMMERY & GRENO'S

CHAMPAGNE, "Extra

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

NAVAL CONTRACT, 1877-8

CEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will

be Received by the Undersigned, until

Noon on THURSDAY, the 15th March,

1877, from Persons desirous of SUPPLY-

ING the following ARTICLES for the use

Printed Forms of Tender and further

particulars can be obtained at the Naval

The right to reject the lowest or any

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have this day CLOSED

and ceased to carry on Business. Creditors

are requested to send in their Claims for

payment not later than the 15th Instant.

Those indebted to us will oblige by an early

ERNEST WASSELL & Co.

PHOTOGRAPHERS.

HAVE This Day Established myself as

PHOTOGRAPHER at the Corner of

ERNEST WASSELL.

Building lately occupied by the Hongkong

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

TR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been com-

consequence of failing health, and his in-

authorised to sign for us by Procuration.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

We have this day reopened a branch of

NOTICE. ,

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

N and after the 16th day of November,

SARY will be carried on by the Under-

NOTICE.

Hongkoug, November 21, 1876.

used for the Liquidation only.

Canton, December 81, 1876.

1876, and until further notice, the

WM, ORUICKSHANK,

Manager.

C. J. MESTERN,

W. HULSE.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, March 2, 1877.

Hongkong, March 3, 1877.

December last.

DIATION.

signed.

our Firm at Canton.

HONGKONG PHOTOGRAPHIC CO.

their PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS

RAISING

BISCULT

J. BREMNER,

Storekeeper.

SOFT BREAD

of H. M. Navy for the year 1877-8, viz. :-

FRESH VEGETABLES WATER

H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong,

February 28, 1877.

FRESH BEEF

SUGAR

settlement.

Storekeeper's Office.

Bank. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. REBERVE FUND, ..... 500,000 Dollars. COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman—E. Hoppius, Esq.

Deputy Chairman-F. D. SASSOON, Esq. A. Molver, Esq. AD. ANDBE, Esq. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. S. W. POMEBOY, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK. ED. TOBIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong, . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.

Shanghai, . . Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS. - London and County Bank. 👙

INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent, per annum on the daily On Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 2 per cent, per annum. 4 per cent. ,, ,,

5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banaing and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and shief Commercial places in Europe, India, Instralia, America, Ohios and Japan. T. JACKSON.

Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1. Queen's Road Bast. Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

For sale.

FOR SALE.

.JUST LANDED EX S. S. "Hesperia."

PIPER & Co.'s Celebrated CHAM. PAGNE: CARTE BLANCHE, CARTE BLANCHE SEC and CARTE DOREE in Qts. and Pints. pelled to retire from our Firm in

The well known OTARD DUPUY & Co.'s terest and responsibility ceased on the 31st | BRANDY in Cases of 12 qt. Bottles and a Small Lot of MEDOO CLARET in qt. MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been | Bottles.

Apply to

L. L. BUSH. Hongkong, March 7, 1877.

FOR SALE.

A GREAT VARIETY OF WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSO-LADIES' NOTE PAPER AND ENVELOPES. Apply to ED. CHASTEL,

Queen's Road Central Hongkong, March 7, 1877. FOR SALE.

Oclobrated. BUSINESS of the above named DISPEN. Brands of WINES and SPIRITS. Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

NOW READY.

OHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE HE Partnership hitherto existing be-CANTONESE DIALECT. Part L. tween the Undersigned under the A to K, with Introduction. Royal Byon, name of Mestern & Hutse has this day pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN Eifet, Ph.D. Tilbingen. been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be

Price Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Mesars Lane, Chawford & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai and Messira KELLY & WALSH, Shanghal. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

for Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

日五十月正年丑丁

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE. TN Order to make Room for SPRING

We shall offer the Remainder of Our WINTER STOCK at an immense 16duction. DRESS GOODS at 15 cents per yard.

DRESS GOODS at 25 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 80 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 85 cents per yard. FANCY SILKS! We offer about 5,000 yards at 35 cents per yard, (these are more or less soiled); original price \$1.50 and

JAPANESE SILKS! Reduced to 40 cents per yard. WOOL SHAWLS, MANTLES and JACKETS, Marked very Cheap.

HATS, at Half Price. FANCY WOOL GOODS, at less than Half Price. Ladies' and Children's WOOLE and

Half Price. Several thousand Yards of VARIOUS REMMANTS. Comprising: FLANNELS, Calicos, prints, muslins, stuff

GOODS and Other Useful GOODS, are Marked at Prices, which must effect im-In order to prevent disappointment,

SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

FOR SALE. MHAMPAGNE, 1874. HEIDSIECK & Co., MONOPOLE. DEETJEN & Co.

Shipping.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship

Comdt. LECOINTRE, will be despatched for SHANGHA on SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon. H. DU POURY, Agent.

Hongkong, March 8, 1877.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship Captain M. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports

For Freight or Passage, apply to DUUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 6, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A1 American Ship " MoNEAR, W. TAYLOR, Master, will lead here, and will have quick de-

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR NEW YORK. The 12 years 3/3 L. 11 Danish

Bark "Korsör," L. C. Ghove, Master, will load here, and will have immediate despatch as

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Honghong, February 15, 1877.

A 1 British Ship "STAR OF CHINA." BLAKER, Master, will load here and have immediate despatch.

The British Bark

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. Captain Johnson, will have a

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

shipping.

Sailing Vessels. FOR YLOILO.

The A 1 Spanish Schooner MERICAECHEVARRA, Master, will

have quick despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Notices to Consignees

BRITISH SHIP SIR HARRY

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the

MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, March 7, 1877. GERMAN STEAMER HESPERIA. JOHANNEEN, Master, FROM HAMBURG

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that

Consigness wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so. Goods remaining in store after the 12th

Instant will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless notice to the contrary is given until Noon

WM. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, March 5, 1877.

to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, March 7, 1877.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Arratoon Apear, Capt. A. B. MACTAVISH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counterof their Goods.

at once landed and stored at Consignees mcl0 | risk and expense. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

> Hongkong, March 8, 1877. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

s. s. P E I - H O.

NOTICE. MONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "Indus," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may

signees, before 5 o'clock p.m. This DAT. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after THURS-DAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon, will be

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on

unless intimation is received from the Con-

H. DU POUEY, Hongkong, March 5, 1877.

MARITIMES.

MUNEIGHEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countereignature, and take immediate delivery.

H. by POURY,

THO No. 1/2, . . 2 cases Stores. GD No. 1, . . . 1 case Paper. Ex Tigre, February 9th, 1877.

Ex Ana yr, February 22, 1877.

ASW&C(indiam.) 1 case Perfumer) No. 1604, PF. 1 case Hata.

PARKES, FROM LONDON.

Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

AND L NDON via SINGAPORE.

their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from whence delivery may be

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE S. S. Penguin having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

signature, and to take immediate delivery Cargo impeding her discharge will be

MARITIMES.

be obtained from the time of landing.

requesting it to be landed here. subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

This Cargo has been landed and stored at No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ez Ava, January 11th, 1877.

On and after MONDAY, February 5th,

DRESS GOODS at 20 cents per yard.

\$2.00 per yard. LADIES', BOYS' and GIRLS' FELT

MERINO HOSE, Greatly reduced. 100 dozen CHILDREN'S WOOL land MERINO SOCKS, all Sizes, at less than

mediate Sale. We beg to inform Our Customers and the Public that this Extraordinary, and Unprecedented Sale must close on February

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

Steamers. NOTICE.

MARITIMES.

on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Daylight.

TRENCH STATIONERY.

FOR LONDON. OUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

spatch as above. Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

their risk and expense.

D R No. 257/270 | 14 cases Merchandise, MD No. 1/2, . . 2 caske Oil.

Hongkong, March I, 1877.

quick despatch for the above C&C No. 1, . 1 case Mecanique. RS No. 150, . . 1 case Clothing.

#### Intimations.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibithat they will find at the Consulate all Information and Particulars they may For the Consul.

G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul. Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Blaker.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

NEHEMIAH GIBSON, American barque, Captain D. Bradford.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

Bonito, German barque, Captain J. F. Wesenberg.—Siemssen & Co.

ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Captain 8. Noyes.—Rozario & Co.

TYBURNIA, British ship, Captain Robt. Golden,-Meyer & Co. FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt.

G. Schweer. -- Melchers & Co. WANDERING MINSTREL, British barque, Captain Wm. Sivewright. - Siemssen & Co. Mystic Belle, American ship, Captain David Plumer.—Siemssen & Co.

ORANGE GROVE, British barque, Captain A. Longmuir.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Rosina, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen, -Arnhold, Karberg & Co. TULIOUHGORUM, British schooner, Capt. 8. Masson.—Chinese.

#### To-day's Advertisements.

FOR LONDON. The British Ship



"ANGLO SAXON! C. HARRINGTON, Master, will load here and have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, March 9, 1877.

#### SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS,

March 9, Nestor, British steamer, 1414, Webster, Liverpool Jan. 18, via ports of call, and Singapore Feb. 28, General. -BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

March 9, Normanby, British steamer, 1000, Reddel, Sydney Jan. 27, via East Australian ports, and Singapore Feb. 28, General. - Gibb, Livingston & Co. March 9, Duna, British steamer, 852,

John Steele, Liverpool Jan. 6, via ports of call, and Singapore Feb. 27, General.-GILMAN & Co.

DEPARTURES. Mar. 9. Peng-chou hai, for a cruise. 9, Macgregor, for Shanghai. 9. Thales, for Cooktown. 9. Tanais, for Yokohama. China for Canton, Bonito, for London, Canton, for Newchwang, H.M.S. Sylvia, for a cruise. H.M.S. Growler, for a cruise.

OLEARED. Norma, for Swatow. Jacobine, for Takow. Nehemiah Gibson, for Cebu. Presto, for Tientsin. Nestor, for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. Per Nestor, from Liverpool, &c., Messrs Drew and Archibald, Miss Algar, and 93 Chinese.

Delssenhammer, F. W. Powell, and Furlonger. From Singapore, 1 European, 214 Chinese, and 3 Natives.

Per Duna, from Singapore, &c., 17 Chi-

DEPARTED. Per Hesperia, for Shanghai, Capt. Nelson, and 120 Chinese. Per Macgregor, for Shanghai, about 100

Chinese. Per Thales for Cooktown, 460 Chinese. Per Canton, for Newchwang, 3 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS,

The British steamer Nestor reports: Had strong N.N E. winds and heavy sea up to Paracels, from thence to port had light E.N.E. winds and fine weather.

The British steamer Duna reports: Had had weather in Channel, left Holyhead on the 8th Jan. had strong Westerly and N.W. winds to Port Said, where we arrived on the 24th, reached Suez on the 28th, thence to Galle light winds and fine weather, thence to Acheen Head strong monsoon and high sea. Arrived at Singapore on Feb. 23rd, and left again for Hongkong on the 27th, and had strong monsoon and heavy head sea to arrival.

The S. S. Normanby reports: Left Bydney at 8 p m. of the 27th Jan.; on the 29th at 11.20 p.m. anchored in Brisbane Roads, and left again the 1st Feb. Thence had light N.E. winds, and on the 3rd anchored in Keppel Bay at 4.40 a.m. Left again at 5 05 a.m. and had strong breeze with heavy confused sea. Arrived at Bowen at 4.30 p.m. of the 4th, and left sgain at 8 p.m. Townsville on Feb. 5th, 8.30 p.m., and Ocaktown 9 p.m. of the 6th. Left Cooktown on the 8th at 2.18 p.m., Thursday, March 15:arriving at Somerset next day at 4.45 a.m. Thungs, experienced strong N.W. winds with heavy squalls to Cape Jacki, then strong westerly winds and dark clottdy weather: Passed through Sapordir Straits on the 20th at 5 a.m., and on the 21st passed Bowran Island, having strong W.S.W. winds and dark squally weather thence to Singapore atrong N.N.E. wind and fine weather. Left Singapore on the 25th Feb., and thence to port strong N.N.B. winds and cloudy weather with heavy head sea.

CARGO.

Per Oceanic, salled 3rd March, 1877 :-For Yokohama, 8,512 bags Sugar, 60 cases Castor Oil, 27 pkgs. Manils, Hope, and 197 page Morshandies, For San Francisco, Will bage Rice, 280 bage Deeps, 189 bage

Sugar, 5 chests Persian Opium, 31 boxes Prepared Opium, 140 bales Hesslan Cloth, 60 pkgs Tea, 1 pkge, Silks, 100 rolls Matting, 800 Empty Quicksilver Flasks, and 2,781 pkgs. Merchandise. For New York,

# 2 pkgs. Merchandise, and 10 cases Silk. POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS

MAILS will close:-For SAIGON .-Per JEDDAH, at 9:30 a.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For SHANGHAL .--Per PEIHO, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 10th lnst.; late letters received from 11.10 to 11.30.

For SINGAPORE, SUEZ & LONDON.-Per PATROCLUS, at 11.30 a.m. Tomorrow, the 10th inst.

For SAIGON .-Per Schooner FORMOSA, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SHANGHAL. Per NESTOR, at 8.30 p.m. To-morrow,

the 10th inst. For HAIPHONG .-Per Schooner TULLOCHGORUM, at

3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 12th inst.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET. -The English Contract Packet TRAVAN- FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS, OORE will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURS-DAY, the 15th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :--Wednesday, 14th.-

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 15th .-7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale

of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M. Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra

Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office Closes entirely. [11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only, The publication of this issue commenced addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may

Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, 11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally Hongkong, March 2, 1877.

be posted on board the Packet with

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet ALASKA the 20th Instant, with Mails for Japan. San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be closed as follows :--

2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes.

United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.60 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

General Post Office, Hongkong, March 8, 1877.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet ANADYR will be despatched from Hongon THURSDAY, the 22nd Inst., with Mails to and through United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zea-Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape,

St. Helena, and Ascension. Per Normanby, from Sydney, Messrs C. | Letters may also be forwarded to India | been sold at a loss to the importers, and by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked Faid to Galle only they will go on from Galle as unpaid. The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c. :--Wednesday, 21st Ir.st .-

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 22nd Inst .-

A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters coases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) developed. It will be recollected that trailia, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

(11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely. Hongkong, March 8, 1877.

## General Memoranda.

Bunday, March 11 :--Daylight. - Leonor Isaves for Coast Poris. MONDAY, March 12:--

Road Goods per Hesperia undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Noon.—Naval Contract Touders class for the supply of Provisions.

of Call and Europe. Noon, subject to rent and landing

charges, Claims against the Hongkong Photogras phic Co; close after this date. FRIDAY, March 16:-

Noon. - General Weakly Sale by Messes Lane, Crawford & Co. Thestay, March 20:--

8 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yorks hains and San Francisco. Monday, April 21-0

3 p.m. -- Oscidental & Offental B. B. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Tokohama and San Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping.

Noon. - Pei Ho leaves for Shanghal.

Auction. Noon.—Sale of Ground and Property in Peel Street.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1877.

THE commercial reports for 1875 from Her Majesty's Consuls in Japan, which will be despatched on TUESDAY, have recently been issued in their usual form of a blue-book, again afford us anything but a satisfactory account of the trade for the year in that country. We have the old story repeated that Japan is being yearly drained of an immense amount of treasure through the imports 2.30 P.M. Correspondence for Japan or the far exceeding the exports in value, and that the only remedy for such a ruinous state of affairs to country is to more fully develop its natural resources. A comparison of the imports and exports, as set out in these returns, shows there is a balance against Japan of no less than \$12,000,000, which she would have to pay in trea-Nor does the country exhibit mc20 signs, year after year, of improving in this respect. On the contrary, in the returns before us the imports show an increase of nearly 22 per cent. on those of 1874, while the exports show a decrease of 10 per cent. on those of the previous year. We are, however, cautioned in these returns against assuming that the import trade with Japan is increasing to the extent that these figures might be supposed to denote, or that the productive power of the country is on the decline to such a degree. A large proportion of the foreign goods included in these (returns, it is pointed out, has although the production of Japanese silk and tea in 1875 exceeded in quantity that of previous years, it was exported at lower values. The following table shows that for four years the total foreign trade of Japan has fluctuated between \$44,000,000 and \$50,000,000, and that the aggregate of 1875 is \$3,000,000 less than in 1872 :---

Exports. \$26,188,441 \$24,294,592 \$50,482,978 27,444,058 24,223,629 20,001,687 16,014,880 47,481,957 29,467,067

As we have previously hinted, Six

Harry Parkes suggests that to ameliorate this state of things the natural resources of the country should be more fully except those to and through Aus- a very valuable report on the mineral wealth of Japan was published last vear from Mr F. B. Plunket, of the British Legition. He showed how tich the country was in mineral remc22 sources, and how little had been done to develop them. In almost every portion of Japan are found ofes of some kind, and although there is scarcely a district in which there are not traces of mines having been worked, yet most of them have been abandoned, or are worked in a 2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at very slovenly manner. In April 1875 Rev. R. H. Kidd's Residence, Albany it is calculated that there were in Japan himself with four only on this occasion. 1,856 mines for which working leases had been obtained, but the total yield of the mines in 1874 was only 3,687,275 was said to have as many as 300 adita. The Takashima mine is a fair instance of what may be obtained through foreign it was 72,425 tons, while last year it was reported to be yielding as many as 735 yearly yield of about 200,000 tons. The value of the daily out-put was then computed at b.000 yen of which work their mines on the same mathods, with his benediction, sedingspore Times.

with a few exceptions, as those followed in ancient times. They never sink shafts, and as the water gains on the miners the mine is abandoned. No mines can be worked without special license from the Government, and foreigners are excluded from any and all participation in this particular industry. No foreigner can hold a share in a mine, or lend money on the security of one. The right to work a mine, also, does not belong to the owner of the soil, for in Japan possession of the surface does not carry with it the right to the mineral wealth below. This belongs by law to the Government, who exact from the worker of the ores a varying royalty, and a surface rent of one yen per eighteen thousand square feet for all mines except iron and coal, suffering from pneumonia, and took it to the which pay half the sum. The ordinary land tax is also charged to the miner. The Japanese are no doubt gradually awaking to the advisability of working their mines after foreign methods, but considering their rapid progress in other directions, it seems exceedingly strange the animal was diseased. The animal had that so little has been done for the development of mining enterprise in the country. Resident foreign engineers with efficient foreign assistants are now, we believe, employed at several of the mining, whilst others have begun a similar course of study in their own country; the Department of Education, indeed, proposes to establish a mining college in connection with the university at Tokio. Sir Harry Parkes expresses an opinion in his report that Japan's readiest and largest means for improving her present financial prospects lie in her mineral deposits, but he points out that a great deal can also be done to develop her grain produotion and trade. We append extracts from the reports of the Consuls at Yokohama, Nagasaki and Hiogo, showing the position of trade during the year at these places :--

NAGASAKI. - Consul Flowers reports that a comparison of the trade of this Port in 1875 with that of 1874 shows a decrease of \$583,572, the total value of imports and exports being \$3,684,893 in 1875, against 24,217,965 in 1874. As regards imports, a great decrease in both cotton and woollen goods is apparent, the import of these staples having steadily declined since 1872, and this decrease is very inadequately importation of mixed cotton and woollen manufactures. Consul Flowers says :-- "The import trade has continued to show very unsatisfactory results. The competition between the Mitsu-bishi Company (native) and the Pacific Mail Company has kept freights very low for the greater part of the year. This has enabled the natives merchants to buy their goods in the larger markets, where, it is presumed, a better selection may be obtained, and to bring their purchases down to this part of the country at a nominal expense. Another cause of the dull state of affairs is to be traced to the fact that a number of the smaller Chinese merchants have taken to selling piece goods in very small quantities (of six or ten pieces at a time) to the country people. It is natural to infer that this | the Band of H.M.S. Audacious. course has materially interfered with the trade of the native dealers. It has prevented them from buying except in small quanti-The export trade of the twelve \$4; months Mr Flowers considers on the whole to have been tolerably satisfactory. Though the total values do not show an increase (\$2,159,303 in 1875, against \$2,342,799 in 1874), the yield of some of the principal articles of produce has manifestly increased.

HIGGO AND OSAKA .- Consul Annesley reports that the returns show a decrease the business of the two ports of \$3,849,437 as compared with 1874. This considerable falling-off had been caused by a diminution in both the quantity and value of the goods dealt in. The total result of the trade of the year had proved most disastrous, and the value of property had in

consequence greatly depreciated. YOROHAMA, -- Consul Robertson reports that the value of the trade for 1875 was as follows:-Imports \$21,953,909, exports \$12,466,730, showing a total of \$34,420,639, which is an increase of \$5,125,768, upon the value of the trade of the preceding year In imports:--Cotton manufactures exhibit an increase of \$207,351; woollens an increase of \$1,656,719; mixed cotton and woollen on increase of \$188,171; metals a decrease of \$86, 631; arms and amunition an increase of \$26,178; miscellaneous, foreign, an inorease of \$2,940,170; miscellaneous, local an increase of \$305,658. In exports:—Silk shows an increase of \$129,726; silkworm-egg cards a decrease of \$250,854; tea a decrease of \$29,899.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

If may be noted that the departure of the P. M. S. S. Alaska from Hongkong has been postponed until the 20th inst.

THE Viceroy intends shortly to make a tour of inspection over all the streets of Canton, but in view of their narrowness, he has reduced the number of bearers who are to carry his chair. The proper number of men for a Viceroy's chair is eight, but he contents

The seremony of the ordination of a Deacon by the Archbithop Gregoris took place yen. Of all these only one had a shaft, at Singapore on Feb. 1th in the Armenian namely, the Takashima coal mine, Church, Hill Street, in the presence of the Noon,—English Mall leaves for Ports the rest being worked by adits, or mere Armenian community and a number of openings, and the water pumped out other residents. The ordination service Goods per Pet He undelivered after by means of bamboo pumps. One mine began about a quarter past five o'clock, and after several portions of the Armeni n Liturgy had been read, the right Reverend Archbishop entered from a sile door dressed in a gorgeotis robs and wearing a brilmachinery and skill :- in 1869 its yearly liant mitre, having in his left hand a cross out-put was about 85,000 tons, in 1874 and in his right the emblematic crock. The warden of the American church, Mr F. A. Soth, was then ordained a Deason, the coretons per day, which would give a mony consisting of kneeling before the Arthbishop, annointing with oil, consectaton, bestowal of the Archepiscopal blessing, and investiture with a descen's silk band, 2,000 were not profit. The Japanese short address and dismissed his busters

Police Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq.) March 9, 1877.

Lo A-po, a coolie, was charged with stealing two pieces of calico from the basket of a woman who was carrying it through Gough Street. Two months' hard labour.

DISEASED MEAT. The proprietor of the Sun Hop cattle Lan, First Street, Saivingpoon, was charged with sending to the Slaughter House a diseased bullock to be slaughtered. P. C. George Ray stated that he was on duty at the Slaughter House, and at 6.40 p.m. on the 7th, the defendant brought a diseased bullock to be killed, but witness discovered it to be Central Station. The defendant usually brought his cattle to be slaughtered at 4.30 or 5 o'clock p.m., but on this occasion, he came after dark.—Inspector Orley proved that the animal was in an advanced state of pneumonia, and was totally untit for human food.—The defendant said he did not know been working at sugar grinding at Toong-Fined \$50, or two months' hard

mines, and a number of Japanese stu- with stealing eleven fowls from the Yow- Green dents have been sent abroad to study mahtee Station, the property of Inspector Cameron. He was seen to go to a drain and hide the basket of fowls. Three months' hard labour.

#### MILITARY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

These Sports were commenced this afternoon on the Cricket Ground, under the patronage of Major General Sir F. Colborne, and Vice-Admiral Ryder. The Committee consisted of :- Commodore Watson (president), Lieut. Col. Dickins, 28th Regt., (vice-president), Commander Salmond, Lleuts. Graves, Godrich, and Pike, R.M., Mr Hynes, Lieut. Col. Hali, R.A., Major Burton, B.E., Captain Ducat, 28th, Dep. Com. Baker, Asst. Com. Kernaghan, and Lieut. Walker, 28th, hon. secretary. Capt. Colomb, B.N., Col. Dickins, and Col. Hall acted as Judges; and the Starters were Capt, Ducat, 28th, and Commander counterbalanced by a slight increase in the Salmond. Amongst those present were Sir John and Lady Smale, Major-General Colborne, Admirals Ryder and Rogers, Mr Justice Snowden, and numbers of the leading residents. The weather was hot and anything but bracing, while it must have rendered the more prolonged muscular efforts very hot and uncomfortable work indeed. The Band of H.M.S. Audacious was present during the afternoon.

By kind permission of Admiral Rogers and the Captain and Officers of the U.S.S. Tennesses, the band of that vessel will be on the Ground at 3 p.m. to-morrow, as well as

1.—Boys' RACE.—200 Yards.—1st Prize, 2nd, \$2. G. Goulder, H.M.S. Audacious.

-J.–Wells, Pte. Somers, 28th Regt. The Sports were opened by this race, which. came off punctually at the time advertised. Private Somers was handicapped 15 yards on account of age, and Wells was allowed a start of 10 yards, the result being a dead

heat between Somers and Goulder. 1. Goulder and Somers, dead heat. 2, Wells.

—Time, 28∄ seos. 2.—Purring the Shor.—1st Prize, \$5 2nd, \$2.50.

Gunner Smith, R.A. Hunt, R.A. Pte, Grady, 28th Regt.

,, Quinn, 28th Pte. McNamory (a post entry) made the best cast, 23ft. 6in., and Hunt second.

8.—Long Jump.—1st Prize, 85; 2nd.

R. Pinfield, H.M.S. Audacious. W. Butter, Gunr. Vengy, Gun Lascar. Pte. Flanagan, 28th Regt.

Kearns

Gunr, Apparawny, Gun Lascar. The six competitors who had entered for this match, all came forward. Pinfield, Butter, and Flanagan all went over the line. Vengy was the first to make a clear jump. Kearns, however, covered this, but it was not allowed, as he fell ; on a second

trial, however, he managed to clear it

but Vengy being allowed another trial, out

1, Gunr. Vengy, G. L., Bit. Bila. 2, Pte. Kearns, 28th Regt., 26ft. 6in.

4.—One Mile Flat Race.—Open to Sailors and Marines,-1st Prize, \$10; 2nd, \$6 | 6rd, \$2.60.

> H. King, H.M.S. Audscious. J. Johns,

Pte. Megre, R.M.L. Infantry. Heats, H o', Wills, H.M.S. Audacleus.

A very good start was effected, Ruse taking the lead, which he continued to Thornicy and Close hotly contested for the increase the first two rounds ! but here the others began to pull forward, and Glover (a post entry) who had been a considerable Thornley being second. Thornley is a new distance behind and last but one, same forward and ran into second place, which in a long race. however he did not keep long: He ran 1, Sergt. Close, 28th Regt. like a ship in a dea-way. On the last round His Grace the Archbishop then delivered a Russ lest his lead and had to give place to Johns, who same in a winney by 10 of 19 in Pine, 3min 19060;

yards; Glover having managed to keep third place.

1, J. Johns, H.M.S. Audacious

2, J. Ruso, 3, Glover, -Time, 5min. 35%sec.

5. - WATER BUCKET RACE. -- 1st Prize, \$3; 2nd, \$2.50; 3rd, \$1.75. J. Green, H.M.S. Audacious.

Pte. Davis, R.M.L.I.,

Sullivan, 28th Regt. Kerns, ,, Hazelett, 28th Regt.

The criterion in this race, as is probably well known, does not consist so much in speed as in bringing in the most water. but it is quite necessary that all the competitors should run. Sullivan, Green, and Hazelett were the only three who came forward, and Sullivan went away with his load manfully but quite unmindful of the ducking he was giving himself, which considering the heat of the day, was not to be wondered at; and consequently although he came in first he had discharged about half of his load. The other two were more careful, in fact Hazelett almost walked in. Wong Law Sheung, a coolie, was charged | The result was undoubtedly in favor of

1, J. Green, H.M.S. Audacious.

2, Pte. Hazelett, R.M L.I. 3, ,, Sullivan, 28th Regiment.

6.—ONE MILE FLAT RACE.—Open to Men of the Garrison. Presented by W. M. Morgan, Esq.—1st Prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$2.50.

Sergt. Close, 28th Regt. Trumptr. Murphy, R.A. Gunr. Carroll, B.A.

Pte. Murphy, 28th Regt. Gunr. Vengy, Gun Lascar. Pte. Dimmery, 28th Regt.

Callaghan, ,, Averis, Cooper, Hagan, Gunr. Appasawny, Gun Lagoar.

Pte. Jackson, 28th Regt. Twelve came out for this race. Pte. Jackson was entered by mistake for Thornley. They kept well together the first round, but here they began to spread. Close and Thornley took it very easy for the first three rounds, when Thornley came forward and secured a good lead, which he maintained to the finish. Callaghan had nearly cut him cut at one time during the last round, but he put on a spurt and shot to the front again. Olose meanwhile let out and was getting well to the front, but too late to get more than second place, which he secured in good style, looking little the

worse for the exertion.

1, Pte. Thorniey, 28th Regiment. 2, Sergt. Close,

3, Pte. Callaghan, -Time, 5 min. 112 sec.

7 .- 120 YARDS HURDLE RACE .- 10 Flights.

-1st Prize, Cup; 2nd, Cup. Mr. Barry, H.M.S. Audacious. Mr. Garforth, H.M.S. Audacious.

Lieutenant-Walker, 28th Regiment. The three gentlemen who had entered for this race all cleared the hurdles in gallant style, and it was merely a question of speed. Walker took the lead from the first, followed by Barry-Garforth being a very good third. By their appearance it was evident that hurdle racing was anything but easy work with the thermometer at about

70 deg. Lieut. Walker, 28th Regiment. Mr Barry, B.M.S. Audacious.

3, "Garforth, " 8.-Tug of WAR.-1st Prize, \$16; 2nd,

28th Regiment versus Royal Marines, H.M.S. Audacious. Royal Artillary versus Blue Juckets.

H.M.S. Audacious. The Army were successful in both instances, doubtless owing to their being more at home on terra firma, which, considering Jack's knowledge of rope-hauling, was somewhat vexatious; but they took their defeat in a very good-humoured manner, notwithstanding. The final tie, which took place at the close of the day, resulted in

the 28th team taking first prize. 1, 28th Regiment.

2, Royal Artillery. 9.—HALF MILE FLAT RACE.—Open.—1st Prize, \$15; 2nd, \$7; 3rd, \$8.

H.M.S. Audaclous. J. Barr, Pte. Lewis, R.M.L.I., Tomlinson, R.M.L.I., H.M.S. Hornet. Thorniey, 28th Regt.

Dimmery, 11 11 Sergt, Close, 28th Regt. Pte. Cooper, Hagan, Peasant

Jackson, ,,

, Averis, 28th Regt. Of the cleven entries sight came out. They started very well together, Close as usual going off sasily. They stringed off before the first round, Thornley being third, running easily. They continued to run pretty much in the same position for the Arst two rounds, but on the last round lead, and Close distanced his rival by two or three yards only, and won a tight race |

2, Pte. Thurnley, ..

arrival and a really good runner, especially

8, Pto: Averte, 11 ff

10.—High Jump.—1st Prize, \$5; 2nd,

Pte. Earl, R.M.L.I., H.M.S. Hornet. Gunr. Hay, R.A. Pto. Bullivan, 28th Regt. ,, Teokle, ,, Gun Lascar. Pte. Brown, 28th Regt.

". T. Brown, ", ", ,, Suter, , Corpl. McManus. Gunr. Appasawny, Gun Lascar.

Some very good jumping was displayed All cleared the first jump 4 feet 4, bat at feet 7 Earl, Hay, Sullivan and T. Brown Four feet eight was cleared by Teekle, J. Brown, Suter and Appasawny; Vengy made a somersault over it, but was disqualified as he touched the ground with his hands and failed to clear it on another trial being allowed him. Brown and Appasswny failed to clear four feet nine. And Teekle could not manage four feet ten, which however was taken by Suter; Teekle thus getting second prize.

1, Pte. Suter, 28th Regiment. Teekle, ,,

11.-VETERAN RACE. - 300 Yards Flat Race. For Men of 17 Years Service and over.-lst Prize, \$7; 2nd, \$3.50; 3rd, \$1.75

Corpl. Parker, 28th Regt. Pte, Massey, ..., Audacious. Pte. Mather, 28th Regt.

,, Hagan, 28th Regt. The result of the Veteran's race was again in favor of the army, Pte. Massey landing a good winner, with Mather second, and Parker third.

1, Pte. Massey, 28th Regt.

2, Pte. Mather, 3, Corpl. Parker, ...

-Time, 144 seconds.

12.-200 YARDS FLAT RACE.-Heavy Marching Order. Open to Blue Jackets only.—1st Prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$2.50.

R. Pintield, H. M. S. Audacious. E. Wheeler, J. Ruse, H.M.S. Audacious. J. Whittle, H.M.S. Fly.

of accoutrements carried being anything but small and we pity the poor men who are compelled as a matter of necessity to carry such a burden for any length of time. The result was in favor of Pinfield, who won by a few feet.

1, R. Pinfield, H.M.S. Audacious.

2, J. Ruse, 3, E, Wheeler, ,,

13.-3-LEGGED RACE.-1st Prize, \$4 2nd, \$2.75; 3rd, \$1.75.

Pte. Kearns, 28th Regiment. T. Brown, Brown, R. Pinfield, H.M.S. Audacious. G. Sibley, F. Henderson, T. Gilbey, T. Leach, J. Brister, J. Gilbert,

D. Boyd,

A false start was made, and Privates Brown and Pople had a race to themselves. but they did not discover their mistake until they nearly reached the goal. When a second start was effected, a good race when the successful competitors came in in the order they stood on the entries.

1, Prts. Kearns and T. Brown, 28th Regt. 2, Prts. Brown and Pople, 3, R. Pinfield and G. Silbey, Audacious.

A scratch hurdle race took place between a few Naval and Military officers, in which five competed. When the last hurdle was passed, a dead heat seemed imminent between the two leaders; but Mr Lingham fell, and rose barely in time to secure second place.

1. Mr Lodwick, H. M. 28th Regt. 2, Mr Lingham, R.N.

The dead heat in the first race between G. Goulder, H.M.S. Audacious, and Private Somers, H. M. 28th Regiment, was not run compete with his rival.

The Straits.

(Singapore Times.) An inquest was held at the Criminal Prison on Sunday, the 25th February, by A. W. V. Cousins, Esq., on the body of a male Chinese prisoner named Ung Ah Chong any defects in the system, but because No. 68. At 3 p.m. on the 24th February Prisoner No. 58 was getting shaved in the lower yard of the Criminal Prison when the deceased came out of his cell and struck him with a hammer four or five times. The prisoner No. 55 then fell down and called out for assistance. The cry he m de brought the European sentry to the spot who saw that the deceased was just about to give the finishing stroke on the head of No. 55 when he fired and shot him. Before doing so the Sentry called out " Nanti" "Nanti," but this instead of making him desist made him brandish his hammer in a defiant manner at the same time using abusive lauguage to the Sentry. Verdict Justifiable Homicide. At the conclusion of the inquest the jurors signed the following recommendation :- "We the undersigned Jurous at the Coroner's inquest held this day at the Criminal Prison, find that from a gun shot wound received at the they understand that he wants the doctor, Elysium of animal life in the Regent's hands of the European Sentry on duty whilst the deceased was inflicting blows with a hammer upon the head and body of another prisoner No. 55. We have much pleasure in recommending the sentry above mentioned to the notice of his supetion, for the prompt manner in which he has acted, otherwise serious consequences would have srisen. We also recommend prisoner Hylos for the manner in which he pelod on his part."

SMALL POX IN QUEENSLAND. There has been a regular scare throughout Queensland and New South Wales in regard to small-pox, and quarantine regulations are now most strictly enforced in admission to pratique at all Queensland window or door, when the premises have chair in order to be wheeled to the gardens Farmer. ports of call before communicating with been vacated, and nobody is at home, the and look for the last time upon his "chilthe shore, and no persons are allowed to telegraph office at once hears of it, and dren," but the exertion was too much for quit such vessels until pratique is granted, despatches two policemen to the front door his strength, and the attempt had to be notwithstanding such vessels may have and two to the back. They have him abandoned. The old man was a great Johnson of the S. S. Mecca, which vessel of the safe. arrived at Cooktown, from Hongkong with one case of small-pox, has written to the organisation exists in every American city, his consideration further, for amongst north of Cooktown with 426 Chinese pas- for the prevention of fire, it may be believ-Keppel Bay station. The penalty for the lalarm boxes. They are usually to be seen in Sydney harbour.

SOME AMERICAN NOTIONS. (Australasian.)

"Come to New York with us, and we will show you some spots." elegant phrase, used by ladies as well as gentlemen, and it explains itself. There no better place than New York to ascertain what mastery the Americans have acquired over electricity. It is their humble slave. at work night and day. We seem to be content if we have one telegraph office in the midst of the city, open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. In New York, telegraph offices are to be found in every hotel, and almost at This was a trial of strength, the quantity | every street corner. The botel offices close about 9 or 10, but the street offices are like the New York Post-office, always open for the transaction of business; and, in order that they may be kept open to some purpose, the night rates are made half of the day rates. The extent to which telegraph wires are now used for the prevention of fires and burglaries is remarkable. have in the centre of the city of Melbourne. a watchman at the summit of a high tower. to sound an alarm as soon as he sees blaze, but fires never come under his notice until they have made some headway. The business quarter of New York is efficiently. though no completely, ramified by telegraph wires, and an officer, seated at a desk. knows from the face of a board in front of him the state of every room in every large warehouse or shop under his charge. The apparatus is simple, and not very expensive. Each of the premises is connected. with his office by telegraph wires, stretched over the roofs of the houses, and if so small a thing as a newspaper took fire he would at once be apprised of it. The agency is maintained by private enterprise, and not under public management, like the fire brigades. For a moderate annual subscription the owner of a warehouse has his premises connected with some central station, and a thermostatis placed on the wall of every room. The thermostat con sists of a strip of metal, in partial communication with the telegraph wire. One of the effects of heat is to expand metal. in amount of combustion sufficient to raise the temperature of a room to 130deg. or 140deg, lengthens the strip of metal, and puts both ends of it in communication with the wire. Thus the operator's "circuit" is completed, and a battery started into action, with the ringing of an alarm-bell, and an alteration of the face of an annunciator at some distant station as the speedy results. To despatch a man with a fire extinguisher, or if necessary to call up the fire brigade is then a small matter. One of the advantages of the stem is that the exact whereabouts of the fire are known, and time is not wasted in an attack on the ground floor windows or doors when the seat of the mischief is ancounced to be at the top of the house. Most of the public buildings and almost all the large hotels in the United States are furnished with thermostate and wires, and that is what is meant when they are declared to be fireproof. Each of the rooms is in direct communication with the office on the ground floor. Several experiments were over again, owing to Goulder declining to made to show visitors how promptly the metal strip did its work. A fragment of paper torn from a newspaper was lighted and held near to one of the thermostats. Within a few seconds, the heat had expanded the metal, made what electricians call "the connexion," and raised an alarm Of course in spite of agnoies like the Automatic Fire Alarm Company, large fires occur, not, however, on account of

> The great cor flagration in Chicago began to maintain an equally reckless pade. in an outhouse. Electric bells are employed in the public offices in the colony to summon messengers into the great man's room. The Americans use them to fetch doctors, policemen, or that No. 254 wants a messenger, and a boy Gardens, and the seals were not emblems immediately starts off to attend his sum- of high office and authority, but the gracemons. Should the signal be made twice ful creatures that occupy the pond in the and they hasten to find one i or if three Park, Everybody in the habit of visiting the services of a policeman. When a house He had been in the navy, and had seen is first connected with a telegraph office, it | "foreign parts," and being particularly well is necessary for the inmates to master the up in the matter of scale and walruses, he you not be able to fully complete the signals thoroughly lest the wrong persons was selected many years ago to look after should appear. It is related of a lady in the wants of such members of those familles toy, she undertook to call a messenger, and when her husband went down to the

universal patronage is not accorded to it.

livered, he was knocked down by a man he trained them to perform a number of can thus always be prepared to realise a marvellous fancy shots, consisting of the previously called at Somerset. Captain before he has found out the whereabouts favourite of the Prince of Wales, who

Cooktown Courier complaining bitterly of from New York to San Francisco. The those who visited the keeper of the seals his treatment by the authorities. There operations of the New York brigade were at the last was the heir to the British was no authorised quarantine station at shown to the rifle teams at the time of the throne. Can as much be said of other Cooktown and the Mecca was kept over late contest at Creedmoor. Though men- Keepers of the Seals? nine days under an armed guard, five miles | tion has been made above of precautions sengers on board with not a breath of air | ed that they have not yet become so comto relieve the stifling atmosphere, in a space | mon as to render fires impossible. They 190 by 28 feet, resembling the Black Hole occur very frequently, and at the time of of Calcutta, waiting for orders appointing | the inspection eight had been recorded on a quarantine station from Bisbane, and the sheet for the current 24 hours. Disthen had to go 600 miles southwards to persed about New York there are 900 breach of quarantine regulations is two on lampposts. The moment a fire is years of imprisonment with or without a discovered the policeman on the beat The Cooktown magistrates fined hurries to the box and inserts a key. Wires Captain Torrance of the E. & A. s.s. | connect the boxes with head-quarters, and Somerset fifty-four guineas on the 16th the mere insertion of the key telegraphs an that enemy seldom fails to pay him a visit January for a breach of the quarantine alarm. The city is provided with 40 rules, but the fine has been remitted by stations or places where fire engines are regular visit he pays every autumn to and A. s. s. Brisbane has been fine 1 £100 | received it is sent on to the station or and is now, therefore, fifty-eight. He can by the Sydney magistrates for taking his stations nearest to the seat of the mischief. vessel into harbour with small-pox on There are 900 men and 200 horses in the is certainly not a young one. But no one board. The result was one or two cases of service. It is wholly kept up by the cored on board H. M. S. Wolverine and Sappho | the information has not been audited and | that he was within fifteen years of his real found correct) I should like to say. The lage. He sits his horse as well, and, pressure of water in the street pipes is not sithough not a little stonter, looks as firm sufficient to throw a stream to the tops of on horseback as he did some forty years the tall houses, and a set of force-pumps ago when he was a supernumerary lieutenoperated by steam is therefore part of the ant-colonel of the 17th Lancers, used to moment may be lost, the horses stand roady mess in the Royal Barracks at Dublin, and the water in the engine-boller is kept hot | town. If this country has ever to go to war by means of a communication pipe from a | it would be unlikely that the Duke would descend at less than a moment's notice. service. But no man is better-nay, none For our entertainment severa! parties were | 80 well-qualified to direct details from engines called out. So thoroughly are the of the army for the last twenty-one years their places in front of the engine. All signals are transmitted by telegraph, and the signal which alarms the men also dis-

connects the halter on the horse's head, and leaves him free to run out. When we had examined one of the central As soon as the alarm was sounded three horses dashed from their stalls, two went | wanting, as those who were at Inkerman in front of the engine and one in front of up their juckets in the descent. Each man | than twenty years, and never taken credit | The spectators were estimated at 100,000. at once went to his place. The harness to himself even for what he has done, little was quickly adjusted, and when the word or no commendation is ever bestowed. No Houghton said :--"To you the figure I am "ready" was called watches were compared, one ever thinks of saying a word in praise about to reveal will be nothing new or and the time found to be between 11 and of the Duke of Cambridge when army strange. It will be the recognition of a but the first time was not beaten. Then we were shown how speedily an engine could be brought to the scene of a fire. An alarm was sent to a station a quarter of a mile distant, and at the end of 21m. the engine appeared. This one was propelled by steam, not drawn by horses. The number of steam propellers at present in New York is six; they will ultimately supersede horses. Fire-engine horses cost about £80 They are splendid animals. Very little time elapses before ponies learn the drill. If a new animal does not promptly respond to the signal a whip is suspended at his back, and the telegraph apparatus not only loosens the halter, but lets down the whip smartly on his haunches. Steampower has so many things to recommend it—of which economy is the principal one-that the adoption of steam propellers is sure to become general. The only objection to them is that they sometimes frighten horses in ordinary vehicles, but this is not regarded as of very great importance. The third experiment took place in Broadway, opposite the St Nicholas Hotel. Signals were sent from an glarm box there to head quarters. transmitted thence to two stations. The engines appeared on the ground in 24min. and Timin. They had each travelled over 400 yards. The hose was connected with the street main, and water thrown to the level of six and seven story windows. people to clear out of the road, and they man generally. make noise enough to rouse the inhabitants of the blocks they pass through. Carriages to reach his destination speedily-and he it will drip on the lady just before you. they travel at the same speed, do not seem

"KEEPER OF THE SEALS." In a modest dwelling in Frederick Street. saled the sentiment. They invariably tibs it is not then likely to be molested

door to hand him the note he wished de- responded to his voice or his whistle, and unless a Chinese rag-picker sees it, and you after which he will give an exhibition of his who dashed in with a fire extinguisher on tricks quite inconsistent with their nature small profit by an exchange. always made it a point to have a chat with For the extinction of fires a very complete him on Sundays. But the Prince carried

> THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE. In private life, and in what, for want of a better word, I ("Centaur" in Whitehall Review) may call "society," no man is more

popular than the Royal Duke. Those who have been his guests, or who have met him at the houses of others, or during his annual tour at Hombourg, alike speak well of him as an affable, kindlymannered, genial gentleman. He has but one enemy in the world—the gout—and once or twice in the year. Hence the who sees him taking his afternoon ride in hurrledly summoned downstairs in the home to the leaders of troops abroad. The horses trained, that the instant they hear is sufficient guarantee that he would do so his subordinates ought to do, and never spares himself when work has to be done. As I said, he takes every year a month or six weeks' holiday; but during the rest of the year he is hardly ever less than five or stations we were shown the modus operandi. six-often eight or ten-hours at his desk

each day. In personal pluck he is not

HINTS ON UMBRELLAS. As the rainy season approaches we con ceive it necessary to give our unsophisticated readers a few directions as to the proper management of that useful article of defence and offence. The first operation in the umbrella business is the procuring the wherewithal to operate. If you cannot procure one by good square borrowing of a friend who is to go to the country next day, you can try buying on credit, confiscating one from the hotel racks or store doors. If that neither gets you an umbrella nor county gaol stock, buyer 30, we would advise that you call on some ladv acquaintance, and just as you go to leave Burns. beg her not to trouble herself to arise to let you out. throw a bit's worth of broken candy in her lap, and hastily walk off with her brother's parachute.

Having raised your umbrella commercially, we will now instruct you how to tempere, and perhaps a muss.

In lowering your parachute be careful service in a city of the dimensions of New | the gates of conversation, and you may York; but the engines carry bells to warn thus get acquainted with their opinion of

the best advantage is one of the high arts, which don't immediately go to the side of and must be regulated according to surthe road are pretty certain to be run down, roundings. If it is wet and dripping, hold whips his horses along at a canter the there is a short fat man close behind you whole way. Steam-driven engines, though who seems in a hurry, it is a nest coup d' shops, where it is supposed to be found. etat to give your whalebone weapon a quick A " shoddy" article is often palmed off whip under your arm and stop short to upon shoppers, a quality with a cotton back chake hands with anyone you see ahead, and satin figure. But those really desirous It will assist the fat man wonderfully to of purchasing, can always find a gentine get out of his hurry, and by this timely article, and it is within the means of the mechanical application to his abdominal fire extinguishers from remote blocks. Bt. John's Wood, died a few days since an region save him from an attack of the gott Few persons in the States can afford such individual who for many years filled the or apoplexy. Don't be affert if he does last year, is occasionally worn as a steplige an expensive luxury as an errand-boy, office of "Keeper of the Seals" with dignity double up over the point of it, and knock by those retiring into tankruptoy; and at unles they are able to provide him with and efficiency. The history of England you down by his momentum, but calmly the reception of creditors by their two per constant employment all day long. What tells of other keepers filling more dis. ask him to apologise. This will convince per cent. debtors. people do, therefore, is to m he terms with tinguished places in society, but it is no him that it was a pure accident, and make a telegraph company. The company keeps sxaggeration to state that the subject of him feel much better. Or you might watch a staff of boys, and lets them out at the this brief notice was to the full as popular your chance, drop it on your shoulder, and rate of about 71d. an hour. The duiform as any of his predecessors. The Respor of step down from the carb and give the tall the lads wear is a guarantee of trustworthis the Seals referred to was the genial old man behind you a chance to bite it or ness. One signal sounded once, indicates Frenchman so well known in the Zoological gouge it with his eye. These are very Interesting experiments, and assist you in a great variety .—" Bricod-bras," Scribber.

calculating distances and velocity. It is a very convenient corn planter, also, and if planted on your nearest neighbor's experiment to gelect a small man, or your field of labor may be too extensive, and

ezperiment.

his shoulders, and then picked up and and early habits. Struck down with a Trusting these few hints may not be middle pocket; forcing six shot; double "overpowered" by two policemen. Ware- painful illness the old man keenly felt the sown on barren ground, we sally forth to forcing six shot; twisting balls into all the houses and banks are rendered burglar loss of his companions. He used to exclaim practice what we preach, and will give pockets; canon round the hat; canon into Government have issued three Orders in proof by wires much in the same way that \_\_"I know I should be better if I could but further instruction when our pupils shall one, two, and three hats; canon off the table C uncil upon the subject, by the last of they are rendered fireproof. Nobody can see my children; I know they will die if I have recovered from any little physical which all vessels arriving from Singapore enter safely unless he carries the owner's cannot see them." Tender hands nursed indispositions arising from injudicious and Chinese ports are required to obtain key. Should be steal in unbidden by some him, and he was dressed and put into a endeavors to profit by this lecture.—Prairie

INCREASE OF SUICIDES.

Suicide has, in fact, become an absurdity

To speak with French exaggeration, all the world is committing it. Old men and babes, and loving friends and youths, and maidens gay, are all rushing to relieve their minds by suicide. It is no laughing matter. When Lieutenant Luff and Ben Battle "enlisted in the line" the orime was comparatively rare. But now, only do respectable newspapers recommend it under some fine-sounding title like "Euthanasia," but, though they do not practise on themselves, they induce a vast number of young folk who know no better to try it. Some of the recent cases show a trifling with human life which is shocking and strange to people who were not born under the advanced lights of this generation. A boy last week drowned himself in his bath because, as he said in a letter, which he was quite sane enough to write, nobody would care to live if "one they loved would not speak to them." On Monday last a barmaid threw herself into the Lea because she was told to wash a floor. On Friday week a Government. Captain Balfour of the E. maintained. As soon as the alarm is Hombourg. The Duke was born in 1819, farm-labourer jumped off a Thames steamer. because he felt hungry. And the anomalies hardly be called an old man, although he in the administration of the law are exemplified by the excuse usually made in these cases. The intending self-murderer the disease in Sydney and cases are report- poration, and costs more money than (as the Row during the season would believe when brought before the magistrate is excused because he was drunk, and, having been lectured, is discharged. If he assaults or kills anyone else while drunk he can make no defence, and is committed. Yet a coroner's jury admits the excuse, and the temporary insanity of drunkenness is outfit of every station. So that not a dine every night of his life at the regimental sufficient to secure a verdict which obliges a clergyman to read the service, and give the harnessed in the stables at the fire stations, was the life and soul of that gay garrison body of the deceased. Christian recognition. And, if anything in the way of argument is H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$525 ex div. wanting to convince coroners and their juries reservoir under the floor, and the firemen take the field. His age and his health of the literally suicidal policy they now China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1925 lie dressed in the upstairs room ready to would slike preclude him from active pursue, it would be found in the law of insurance. Though in most cases the com- | Chinese Insurance Co., \$205 panies are cautious in refusing claims, a recent decision rules that a man who kills | Yangtere Ins. Association Tla. 610 course of the evening, and two or three manner in which he has guided the affairs himself in the delirium of a fever voids his policy; whereas, if the fever kills him, it | H.K. O. & M. S.-boat Co., \$18 dls. holds good. The plea of temporary insanity | shanghai Steam N. Co., Tis. 95 the gong they rush from their stalls to properly in the event of real work. He is is only recognised so far as it enables a jury | Hongkong Hotel Co., 4524 dis. carnest, zealous, an excellent judge of what to allow Christian burial and civic rights. Chinese Imperial Loan, £99 The law may be too hard; but, as administered, it is too easy.—Saturday Review.

THE BURNS STATUE.

The ceremony of unveiling the statue of Burns in Glasgow took place on Jan. 25. -where he had a horse shot under him- | A procession, estimated to number 25,000 the hose reel. We had been warned to can youch for. But perhaps where the strong, started from the Green at noon. It stand out of the way of the animals, and Duke shows better than most men is in his was three miles long. Bands played, banwere glad we had got into corners, for from lutter absence of vanity. This or that ners were waved, and the city bells rang. the haste with which they came forth they Secretary of War, this or that general The procession marched through Irongate, evide thy would not have had time to avoid officer or colonel, gets praised for what he Arglye, and Sauchiehall Streets to George obstacles. Simultaneously with the appear- has done in the service. But on the man Square, where Lord Houghton unveiled the ance of the horses seven or eight men | who has really made the English army statue. The weather was splendid, and the speeded downstairs, hurriedly buttening | what it is, who has done his duty for more | day was observed as a general holiday. In performing the ceremony, Lord

12 seconds. The horses were taken back | matters are spoken of. The reason is plain | friend of your childhood, the greeting of to their stables, and the operation repeated, enough. It is because this Royal Duke one of whom the memory is ever fresh, and never thinks or dreams of praising himself. | with whom your associations are ever dear. This, your friend and poet, will look with kindly and grateful eyes for generations to come on the tides of men who will traverse the busy streets of this multitudinous city: From him they will learn a lesson, hardly taught by the images of the leaders of armies, or rulers of nations, yet one of which Scotland may well be proud. For. through his difficult and may be faulty life he never lost the manly endurance, the simplicity of manners, the spirit of fraternity she ever teaches to her sons, and which has enabled them to go forth conquering, and still to conquer, in the battle of material life, in the conflicts of intelligence and skill. and to spread to the farthest confines of our earth the name and fame of Robert

The Lord Provost, on behalf of the Corporation of Glasgow, accepted the statue.

FASHIONS FOR 1877.

Affections are cut close, are worn by old raise it bodily. Watch until you are in a and young, and are equally becoming to Dec. 17, Carricks, from London to Hongcrowd and then force the slide up suddenly. all. They are useful for every-day wear, for By careful practice in this manceuvre, you hill climbing and roof-scaling. They come may get so expert as to raise at one motion | mostly in the old decided colors, and are two or three hats, your umbrella, several worn long or short to suit the taste or convenience of the wearer.

Honor is beginning to be considered a that it overlaps one or two ladies' hats; a somewhat antiquated goods. Several large No little strain on their head-gear from the houses are selling out below cost, preparatory fire-bells are rung. They would be of no points of the umbrella ribs generally opens to going out of business, " as there is no profit in it," they say. Large stocks have accumulated on their hands, as they found few purchasers for even the finest quality. To carry an umbrella gracefully and to Some apparently heavy dealers have failed entirely, and closed up for want of capital, Generosity was much worn at the holiday season. It is not an imported goods, but of for the engine-driver has but one object- the point in front and downwards, so that home manufacture, and comes in all prices

Intellect is much sought after at certain

Fraud, though not as popular as it was

Orthodoxy is not so high or strait as in former seasons, nor buttoned so closely, Hereay is very popular, especially when

worn with white necktice. Creeds are not so much imported as a one time, but are home-made, which causes

It is more than probable (save the Ballurat corns, is productive of large crops of Courier) that we shall shortly be afforded times, that some burglar has broken into the gardens was familiar with the cheery expletives and prayers over the left another grand exhibition of billiards at his house, and that he is in urgent need of old Frenchman and the objects of his care, shoulder. It is well in this last horticultural Craig's Hotel, Mr Foppers having received appearance of his brother, Mr Herbert Hoberts, champion hand-stroke player. This gentlemen made the enormous break of 1777 To protect your espital from the inroads at Driffield, in Yorkshire, in April last, and New York that, anxious to finger the new as might find their way to the gardens, of speculators in the parachute business, in his evening's programme consists of 600 up, He liked them, and they very seen regipro. might be well to break two or three of the Hoberts giving 500 points. He will also play 78 canons, Mr Boberts giving 40 start;

following, namely:-Twisting balls into work; canon on all the pyramid balls celebrated oue canon, striking the ball length of table and making it stop dead semioircle twist canon, showing the effect of side; celebrated canon off four cushions; wonderful snake canon round 16 tumbler glasses and two decenters; and several other fancy shots; concluding with spinning a ball on a plate for the time of from six to seven

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Shipping Intelligence. HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :-

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 17, Palestine, from London to Hong-

Oct. 5, Wega, from Hamburg to Chefoo. Nov. 12, Lima, from London to Hongkong. Nov. 13, Rurik, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Nov. 16, Hydra, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-

Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to

Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 17. A. E. Vidai, from Hamburg to\_

Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-

Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong. Dec. 28, Inc., from Greenock to Swatow. Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York

to Shanghai. Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghal. Dec. 29, Ulysses (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai, (at Singapore, repairing). Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hong-

Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to Hongkong, Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to

Shanghai. Jan. 12. Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong-

Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong. Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jav. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hong.

Jan. 28, Glenlyon (str.), from London to Shangoai (left Singapore March 6.) Jan. 25, Viking (str.), from London to

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Shrimps,

Snappez,

Tonoh,

Snips Fish,

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Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 350

Corned,

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Heart,

Ridneys

Sheeps' Head, and Feet. so

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Curry Stuff, English, . Butcher Meat. Egg Plant, Bacon, English, . Garlle, (bulb) dried, ,, Ame. Sugar cured ,, Ginger, Foochow. Beef, sirloin and prime out, Winter course Beef Corned. Green, Sprouts Green Peas, in shell, old ,, Roast, Soup, young ,, "Horse Radish," S'hai, Bullocks' Brains. . per set Lettuce, Chinese Tongue, fresh, each English, . Mint, . corned ... Head, Mushroom, dried, Heart, Onlone, Bombay Feet. Green Kidney Parsley, Chinese, English, catty Potatoes, Macao. Tripe (undressed), catty 50 Calves' Head and Feet, set Pumpkins,

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